



HEALTH DEPARTMENT

## BOARD OF HEALTH

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**Town of Holden  
Board of Health Meeting  
August 20, 2019**

**Members Present** - Mr. Michael Mazloff, Ms. Michelle O'Rourke, Stella Adu-Gyamfi

**Others Present:** Mr. Phil Leger – Chief Regional Public Health Specialist, Pamela Harding – Director Planning & Development

**Called Board of Health Meeting to Order: 5:40 PM**

**Approval of Meeting Minutes June 25, 2019**

- Stella Adu-Gyamfi made a motion to approve the June 25, 2019 meeting minutes, Michael Mazloff seconded the motion, and the minutes were accepted 2-0.

**Approval of Meeting Minutes July 30, 2019**

- Michelle O'Rourke made a motion to approve the July 30, 2019 meeting minutes, Michael Mazloff seconded the motion, the minutes were accepted 2-0

**Status of Human EEE case and mosquito spraying**

A human case of EEE was identified in Grafton. Last year West Nile Virus was present at a much higher rate than EEE, and this year the MDPH is finding the opposite in testing of mosquitos. EEE is neurological and can leave you with lifelong issues, people with compromised immune systems are particularly vulnerable. There is a conference call on August 21 to discuss the human case of EEE that occurred in Grafton and the States response. P. Leger will distribute the login information for the call, anyone can login and listen.

All communities neighboring Grafton have been identified as critical risk. There will be spraying of pesticides in those communities. They typically spray when there is not a lot of rain and/or wind. DEP coordinates with organic farmers. Shrewsbury, Millbury, and Worcester are members of the mosquito control program.

Holden is currently a "Remote" area which is the lowest threat. The Town posted the 5D's on the Town website and Facebook page informing residents of the Grafton case and suggesting precautions be taken.

## **Title V – Phil Leger– Chief Regional Public Health Specialist**

Phil Leger reviewed the following Title V list:

- **Inspections Completed**
- 10 Union Street – Passes
- 179 Mixer Road – Conditionally Passes
- 364 Reservoir Street – Conditionally Passes
- 126 Winthrop Lane – Passes
- 460 Reservoir Street – Passes
  
- **Systems Being Installed**
- NONE
  
- **Systems Being Repaired**
- 364 Reservoir Street
- 555 Quinapoxet Street

## **Health Agents Report / Updates – Phil Leger – Chief Regional Public Health Specialist**

- **Routine Food Inspections** – Speedway, Jeds, Big Y, Farmers Market (9 vendors), AFC Sushi, Cheoy Lees, Farm to Fork, Rt 122 Diner, Dominos, Holden Pizza, Subway, Holden Days (5 vendors)
- **Housing Complaints**
- 201 Lovell Road – yard ready to close
- 122 Shrewsbury Street – yard

## **CMRPHA Report – Phil Leger – Chief Regional Public Health Specialist**

- Interviews will be set up soon to replace Mike Mendez’s position.
- Koby Owusu-Ansah will be attending Holden Days and conducting food inspections of all the vendors.
- There are no annual events in Holden in the Fall.

## **New/Other Business**

### **Plastic Bag Ban – Michael Mazloff**

- Michael Mazloff would like to pursue a plastic bag ban for the warrant at annual Town Meeting, he would like to express the BOH vote of support while circulating and presenting the petition.
- **Adjourn** – Meeting was adjourned at 6:21 pm. Next Board of Health Meeting is scheduled for October 1, 2019 at 5:30 PM.